Richardson Citizen Fire Academy Alumni Association

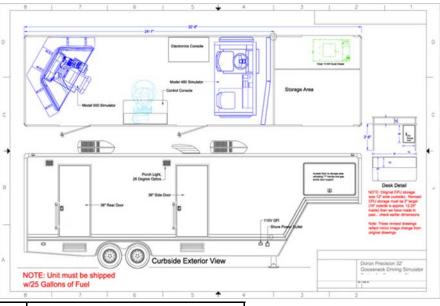
## **Drive! They Said**

The speaker April 30, 2013 evening is Assistant Chief Hotz who will demonstrate the driving simulator that the RFD received from a Federal grant.

Come to the April 30th meeting and find out more. We meet at the Richardson Fire Department Training Center; dessert & gathering is at 6:30 p.m. and main meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP by noon Monday April 26th at <a href="mailto:CFAAARSVP@gmail.com">CFAAARSVP@gmail.com</a>.







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## President's Message

We have sold approximately 230 bricks. Remember, you still have an opportunity to purchase a brick that will be displayed in a walkway at the new Training Center.

The Scholarship deadline was April 1 with five RFD dependents submitting an application. We will find out who our recipient is in May!

The Trash Bash was a success. Several CFAAA members came out and helped clean up our City. Our area was at Huffhines Park, near Station 4. Thanks so much to Steve Jennings for coordinating the clean-up crew and to Alicia Marshall for coordinating the CFAAA table inside the Civic Center. We had several residents stop by and get information about our group.

CPR training is being offered to CFA Class 18 by our own trained CFAAA members. There are about a dozen students interested in getting trained. Thanks to all CPR trained alumni who have put in a lot of time to get this project off the ground, especially Irene Redwine for coordinating from the beginning.

National Telecommunications Week was April 14-20. The CFAAA delivered to each of the three shifts at the Call Center a FRESH snack basket from Corner Bakery. We thank them for being the calming voice on the other end of the line in an emergency.

Wildflower! will soon be here. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Chief Dossett.



**Debbie Conard** 





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### Advisor's Message



#### What's Happening at the Richardson Fire Department?

- The RFD Honor Guard will be present on Thursday at the West First Responder Memorial Service in Waco.
- Currently we are working on the "new" budget for FY 2013-2014.
- The RFD Fire Recruits are in their 16th week of training. Only four (4) more weeks left.
- CFA Class # 18 is going great as you can see by the photos. Thanks to all of the class facilitators, photographers and mentors who have made the class run **SMOOTH**!
- The City has a new "Fire Code" the 2012 edition of the International Fire Code was adopted by city council on April 22, 2013.
- The Fire Department participated in two major drills within the city. Verizon's Hazardous Material Drill on April 16, 2013 and Cisco's Mass Casualty and Haz- Mat Drill on April 24, 2013.
- Thanks to all who participate in the COR Trash Bash. Thanks for being visible and getting the word out about our GREAT Re-Hab service provided by the Fire 1 volunteers.

If you come by the office and everyone is down it is because Jesse Zito is leaving. to take a fire inspector position with Frisco Fire Department.

Wildflower! Wildflower! Still need volunteers for the Fire Aid booth. Contact my office at 972-744-5752 and put your name on the list.

#### Steve Dossett

## **Training Center Progress Photos**



# Detecting Counterfeit Currency

At the March meeting, Roxane Rockhold ntroduced herself as having experience in banking, small business and working in Customs Brokerage, which is a function of the US Treasury Department . 12,000 applicants, only one passed the test for Customs Broker. They eliminated 12 questions and then 5 passed.



With money, it's the buyer that has to be wary. Now she is the current floor manager of the Woolie Ewe Yarn Shop where there is a turnover of employees not used to dealing with currency. The last one holding the bill is the one that is responsible. It is easier for a bank to absorb the loss rather than an individual.

Counterfeiting is under the jurisdiction of the Treasury Department and the Secret Service. With newer bills coming out, it's harder to tell if it's legitimate if the observer is not familiar with the new fail -safes being built into it. It looks like Monopoly money, multi-colored, etc. "White Money" is the old plain green and white currency. The old trick of using an iodine pen won't work any more. Regular currency gets washed and bleached then reprinted in greater increment values—Fives become Twenties, Twenties become Fifties. Foreign currency comes in varying lengths and sizes. If you look closely at some Twenties, you can see the watermark of a Five underneath the printing. If you happen to come across several bills with the same serial number, you definitely have copies. There are security threads that run through depending on the position and time of the original print run. If you can't find the thread, look for a shadow image. And don't trust the feel of the counterfeit. There are color shifts in the ink now. Note the shimmer. One way to test is shine an ultraviolet light on the sample and you can see the color and printing on the thread.

Bank tellers and shop clerks used to count the money with the face up and facing a certain way. Their eyes could tell if some samples were just a hair off. Nowadays, the currency is put in slipshod with no order and the chance to pick up any differences diminishes with the degree of chaos in the drawer. Beware the lower denominations—people rarely examine those, less so than the larger denominations. The worse the economy, the more you will see it happen.

Currency is not supposed to be ripped. If it is ripped, it is exchanged for unripped bills. It is turned in and you get reimbursed. It's still legal but it should be replaced. The stuff turned in is burned and destroyed.

Roxane related the recounting of a surgeon saying he would rather do surgery with unwashed hands rather than touch currency all day. The stuff is filthy. If you deal with it a lot, wash your hands frequently or risk a staph infection.

Remember: Whomever has the bad cash last, is stuck with it.

**TCFAAA:** The next TCFAAA meeting will be Saturday May 11th, hosted by the Plano PFRA at Central Station #1 located on Plano Rd (Ave K) South of Park Blvd in the Fire Administration Conference Room. 8:30 a.m. Breakfast snacks, and 9:00 a.m. meeting & program. All are members are encouraged to attend



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(TUESDAY) GRADUATION - RICHARDSON ROOM @ CIVIC CENTER	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS CENTER TOUR	LIVE BURN - SMOKE HOUSE & LPG TANK FIRE	HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE & VEHICLE EXTRICATION	FIRE PREVENTION OVERVIEW & FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	SPECIAL OPERATIONS - HIGH ANGLE & CONFINE SPACE RESCUE	INCIDENT COMMAND AND FIRE FIGHTING PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES	FIRE APPARATUS, PUMP THEORY, CAFS & HOSE STREAM OPERATIONS	EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, HELICOPTER DISPLAY	DEPARTMENT HIRING, PPA, TRAINING, & CONTINUED EDUCATION	OVERVIEW OF THE RFD, HISTORY OF FIRE SERVICE, & STATION TOUR	
ALL INSTRUCTORS	A- SHIFT M. GARRETT	C - SHIFT	B - SHIFT (STATION 4 & 5)	CASKEY & JOHNSON	C - SHIFT	PALOMBA; B - SHIFT	A- SHIFT	POOVEY; MED 1, C - SHIFT	JACKS B - SHIFT	DOSSETT; A - SHIFT	INSTRUCTORS

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## CFA Class #18, Session 2-PPA



Photos courtesy of the CFA Photo Squad.

## CFA Class #18, Session 3-CareFlight

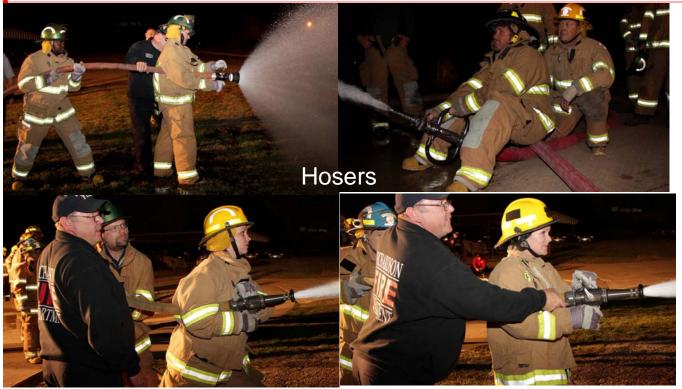


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## **CFA Class 18, Session 4-Fire Apparatus**



Photos courtesy of the CFA Photo Squad.



CFA Class # 18, Session 5—Incident Command





CFA Class #18, Session 6—Special Operations





#### CFA Class #18, Session 7—Fire Prevention Training



## **Trash Bash**



Photos courtesy of John Douglas.



## Dues Statement PLEASE PAY THE FOLLOWING ITEM

Invoice Year: 2013

RCFAAA Phone: 972-744-5752

c/o Richardson Fire Department Fax: 972-744-5796

136 N. Greenville Avenue Richardson, TX 75081

Date	Туре	Description	Amount Due				
	Dues Renewal	Calendar year 2013					
			Total				

Thank you!

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Reset Form

Submit by Email

Print Form

#### CFAAA Order Form for Member Products

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Member Name: Address: City,State: Zip/Postal code:			CITIZEN FIRE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION		Ph Fa	chardson, TX 7 none: 972-744-! x: 972-744-579 : <b>payable</b> 1	5752
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	2400/	•	*RED Outer Banks Polo (Women)			\$17.00	\$0.00
	5180/	•	*RED Hanes T-shirt (Men)			\$12.00	\$0.00
	S22C/	•	*RED T-shirt V-neck (Women)			\$12.00	\$0.00
	P160/	•	*RED Sweatshirt			\$15.00	\$0.00
	M750/	•	**RED/BLACK Nylon Jacket			\$25.00	\$0.00
	CP85/		RED/NAVY Cap			\$13.00	\$0.00
	Port Aut	hority	RED Gym Bag (polyester)			\$16.00	\$0.00
	12500/	•	*RED HOODIE Sweatshirt-sizes S to 2X Lg only			\$23.00	\$0.00
	PC90ZH	•	*RED HOODIE Sweatshirt ZIPPERED Jacket			\$28.00	\$0.00
Comm	ents:					Sub-total	\$0.00
						Grand Total	\$0.00

<sup>\*</sup> Sizes: S, M, L, XL, ... additional sizes and extra cost associated with the larger sizes. \$2.00 per size for each above XL – i.e. 2XL - \$2.00;

Add Name: \$5 per item will be added to the "Amount"; if you wish your shirt/jacket to have your First Name Last Name embroidered on it, the name will be as shown in the box for "Member Name".

Thank You.

We appreciate your commitment.

Internal Use Only

Amount Paid:	
Date:	

<sup>3</sup>XL - \$4.00; 4XL - \$6.00 (these changes are automatically calculated within this form).

\*\*\* Occasionally there will be shipping charges when not available at a local distributor - especially on the jackets. Currently the shipping charge on the jacket is \$7.00 to \$7.95. Total would be: cost of jacket \$25.00 for regular sizes plus \$7.00 or \$7.95 for shipping. You will be ordering through the CFAAA designee (currently Dave Gibbs not directly with Abracadabra. After our initial order, we can order in smaller quantities. However, we must order at least 12 caps at one time to stay at the above price. Item will be monogrammed with the new CFAAA logo.



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The mission of the Richardson Citizen Fire Academy Alumni Association (RCFAAA) is to function in an auxiliary capacity to assist, promote, and support the Richardson Fire Department through service, education and recognition.

May 2013								
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
			1	2 Class 9	3	4		
5	6	7	8	9 Class 10	10	11		
12	13	14 CFA Graduation	15	16	17	18		
19	20	21	22 Board Meeting	23	24	25		
26	27	28 General Meeting	29	30	31			

We're on the Web at: http://www.cor.net/index.aspx?page=180.

#### COMING EVENTS—APR MAY 2013

April 30, 2013: General Meeting: Drive Simulator.

May 2, 2013: CFA Class #9—Live Burn!

May 9, 2013: CFA Class #10—Emergency Mgt.

May 11, 2013: TCFAAA at Plano.

May 14, 2013: CFA Graduation.

May17-19, 2013: Wildflower! Festival.

May 22, 2013: Board Meeting.

May 28, 2013: General Meeting.

#### Alicia's Moved

Alicia Marshall will not be receiving email at: Alicia.marshall@emerson.com. From now on, only send email to: amarshall2331@gmail.com.

# CFAAA Board Meeting Schedule for 2013

January 23, 2013 July 24, 2013

February 20, 2013 August 21, 2013

March 20, 2013 September 18, 2013

April 24, 2013 October 23, 2013

May 22, 2013 November 13,.2013 June 19, 2013 December 18, 2013

"Board meetings are open to any CFAAA member. They are held at 6:00 P.M. in the conference room at the RFD Administration offices on Greenville Avenue. Meetings have moved from Monday to Wednesday nights."

**Heartwarmers:** A get well card to firefighter James Smith.

A congratulatory card to Jim Bailey on the arrival of his new grandbaby.

